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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. NADLER introduced the following bill; which was referred to the  
Committee on the Judiciary

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## A BILL

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a certain law.

1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3       **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4       This Act may be cited as the “Handgun Registration  
5       Act of 2003”.

6       **SEC. 2. GRANT INCENTIVE FOR COMPLIANCE.**

7       (a) GRANT INCENTIVE.—Section 506 of title I of the  
8       Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (42  
9       U.S.C. 3756) is amended by adding at the end the fol-  
10      lowing:

11       “(g) INCENTIVE FUNDS.—

1           “(1) IN GENERAL.—The funds available under  
2       this subpart for a State shall be increased by 15  
3       percent if a State has in effect throughout the State  
4       a law which requires—

5           “(A) that each individual to whom a hand-  
6       gun is transferred complete a handgun registra-  
7       tion form that includes, at a minimum—

8           “(i) information identifying the trans-  
9       feree, including name, address, date of  
10      birth, and State handgun license number,  
11      if applicable;

12          “(ii) information identifying the hand-  
13      gun, including make, model, caliber, and  
14      serial number;

15          “(iii) information identifying the  
16      transferor, including name, address, and  
17      date of birth; and

18          “(iv) proof of insurance coverage for  
19      the transferee’s liability to any person who,  
20      while engaged in lawful activity, suffers  
21      bodily injury or death through the misuse  
22      of that handgun resulting from the trans-  
23      feree’s negligence;

1 “(B) that each individual who possesses a  
2 handgun complete a handgun registration form  
3 that includes, at a minimum—

4 “(i) information identifying the indi-  
5 vidual, including name, address, date of  
6 birth, and State handgun license number,  
7 if applicable; and

8 “(ii) information identifying the hand-  
9 gun, including make, model, caliber, and  
10 serial number; and

11 “(C) the chief law enforcement officer of  
12 the State to furnish information from handgun  
13 registration forms to Federal, State, and local  
14 law enforcement authorities upon request.

15 “(2) COMPLIANCE.—The Attorney General  
16 shall issue regulations to ensure compliance with the  
17 requirements of paragraph (1).

18 “(3) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of paragraph  
19 (1), the term—

20 “(A) ‘State handgun registration form’  
21 means a form prescribed under State law con-  
22 sistent with this paragraph; and

23 “(B) ‘chief law enforcement officer of the  
24 State’ means the chief, or equivalent officer, of

1           the State police force, or the designee of that  
2           officer.”.

3           (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 506(a) of  
4 title I of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act  
5 of 1968 is amended by striking “subsection (f),” and in-  
6 serting “subsections (f) and (g),”.

7           (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by  
8 subsection (a) shall take effect on the first day of each  
9 fiscal year succeeding the first fiscal year beginning 2  
10 years after the date of the enactment of this Act.

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